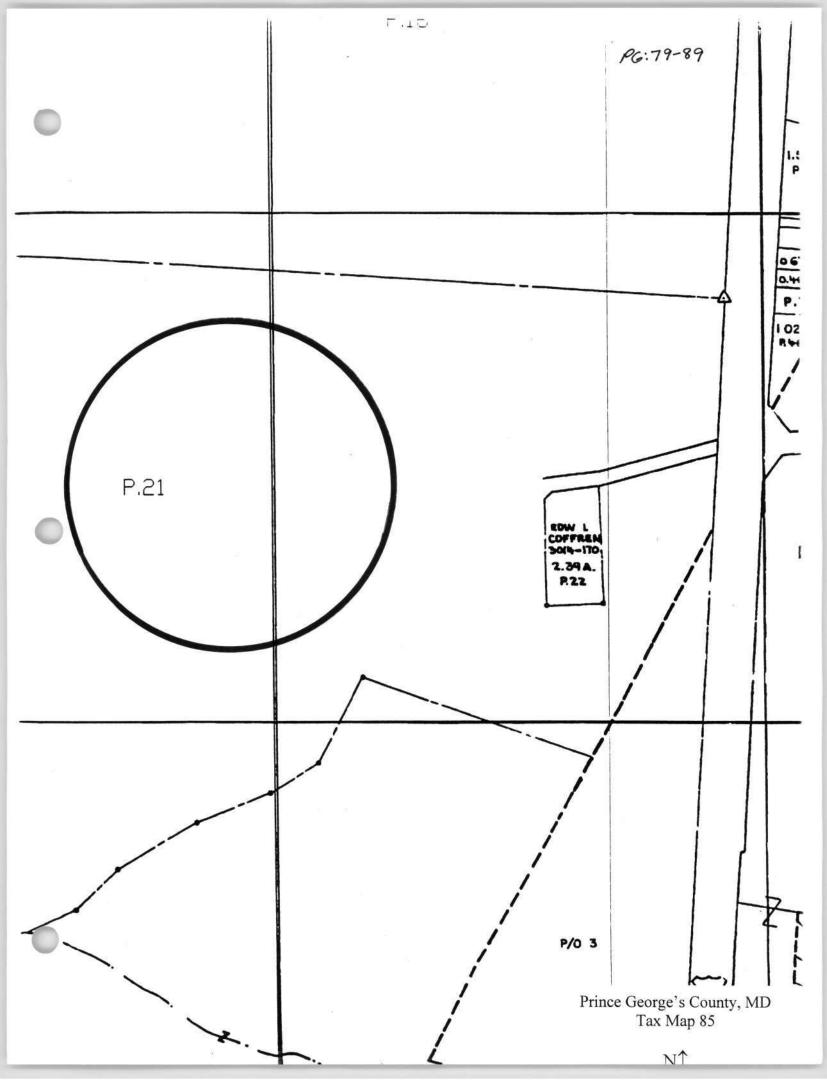
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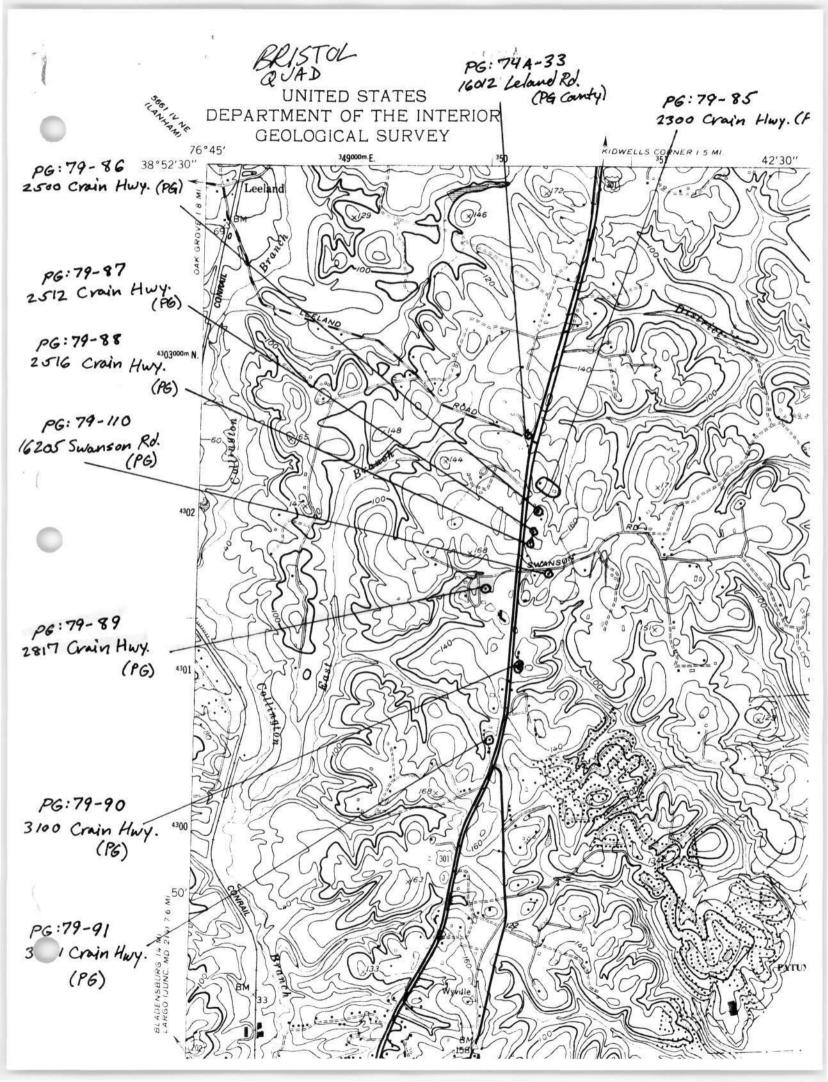
Property Name: Inventory Number PG: 79-89
Address: 2817 Crain Highway, SW, Prince George's County - in vicinity of Upper Mariboro
Owner: VOB Limited Partnership
Tax Parcel Number: 21 Tax Map Number: 85
Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)
Site visit by SHA Staff: X no _ yes Name: Date:
Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommendedX
Criteria _ A _ B _ C _ D Considerations: _ A _ B _ C _ D _ E _ F _ G _X None
Is property located within a historic district? X no _ yes Name of District:
Is district listed?: X no _ yes
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files
Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)
The farm complex includes multiple barns and outbuildings (c.1920) and the main house (c.1960). The house is one-story, brick, Ranch-style design with a Neo-classical designed pedimented entry porch. The porch is supported by four columns and has a brick foundation. The main section of the house has side gables and is hidden behind extensive landscaping. The outbuildings include an transverse-frame barn, ideal for drying tobacco.
Prince George's County relied on its agricultural roots for its economic growth through the early half of the 20th century. The county's position as one of the largest tobacco growers in Maryland and the increasing diversification of the crops grown to be sent to the urban markets allowed for a family to be supported by agricultural means. This economic factor assisted in continuing the agricultural tradition and led to the construction of new farm complexes.
The barn was the principle building erected on a farm which provided space for cows, horses, equipment, and hay, straw or tobacco storage. Throughout the 19th century, barns increased in size or were newly built to include space for smaller animals, such as poultry and pigs, and as a place for the threshing and storage of grain. Their size also
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increased during the 19th century as the introduction of improved equipment led to more efficient and profitable operations, and, consequently, to increased need for storage facilities. Typically, livestock was housed on the lower level, while the upper level was reserved for the storage of hay and straw, and the threshing and storage of feed grains.

The farm complex is not eligible for the National Register. While typical of the farm complexes found throughout southern Maryland, the resources lack significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.







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